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LIST OF OFFICERS.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS CHARLES E. WHIPPLE

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT OF GYPSY AND BROWN-TAIL MOTH ERLE G. BREWER

SELECTMEN

GEORGE W. FITZ, Chairman	Term expires 1916		
GEORGE H. GIBNEY,	Term expires 1914		
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS	Term expires 1915		
Overseers of Poor			
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON	Term expires 1914		
GEORGE W. FITZ	Term expires 1914		
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS	Term expires 1914		
Board of Health			
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON	Term expires 1914		
GEORGE W. FITZ	Term expires 1914		
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS	Term expires 1914		
Assessors			

ASSESSORS

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman	Term expires 1914
GEORGE M. ADAMS	Term expires 1915
DANIEL D. STONE	Term expires 1916

TREASURER
JOHN L. WOODBURY

Town Clerk SAMUEL A. F. WHIPPLE

TAX COLLECTOR CHARLES W. APPLETON

AUDITOR ANDREW HARADEN

TREE WARDEN ERLE G. BREWER

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Term expires 1915

REGINALD C. ROBBINS, Treasurer

FRANCIS C. NORTON	Term expires 1914
ARTHUR W. CHANDLER	Term expires 1916
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
CEORGE K KNOWLTON	Torm orniros 1916

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON	Term	expires	1916
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD	Term	expires	1914
ROBERT ROBERTSON	Term	expires	1915

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS			
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman	Term	expires	1914
FRANCIS C. NORTON	Term	expires	1915
GEORGE H. GIBNEY	Term	expires	1916

PARK COMMISSIONERS	
GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman	Term expires 1916
FRANK C. NORTON	Term expires 1915
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON	Term expires 1914

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

ADDISON B. TOWLE	SAMUEL A. MALONE
S. A. F. WHIPPLE	LESTER M. WHIPPLE

Inspector of Animals and Provisions GEORGE R. DODGE

KEEPER OF LOCK-UP SAMUEL A. F. WHIPPLE

CHIEF OF POLICE
JOSEPH MERRILL

Constables

ALFRED F. POOLE CHARLES H. SMITH OSCAR A. WOOD LEROY S. DODGE

ALVIN L. PERLEY

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER AND MEASURERS OF BARK AND WOOD

FIELD DRIVERS

FRED BERRY FRED P. KILHAM

SAMUEL G. GOODHUE
AM ERNEST M. BARKER
JONATHAN LAMSON, JR.

POUND KEEPER
GEORGE H. HARADEN

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ANNUAL REPORT.

Treasurer's Report.

JOHN L. WOODBURY, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1912, \$2,119	80
From District Court, fines less, Dec.	
31 st, 15	00
C. W. Appleton, Collector of	
Taxes, 59,406	00
County Treasurer, account dam-	
age done by dogs, 5	00
G. K. Knowlton, sale Cemetery	
lot 287, 25	00
Checks from Town of Needham, 257	56
County Treasurer, account Dog	
taxes, 1912, 260	65
S. A. F. Whipple, sale of old	
pipe, 3	60
S. A. F. Whipple, receipts from	
use of telephone, 3	50
State Treasurer, account Highway	
Com., motor vehicle fees, 73	50
State Treasurer, account Moth	
suppression, 1,035	53

Rent of Town Hall,	\$74	00
Received from Ipswich Savings		
Bank, for care endowed lots,		
1912,		00
State Treasurer, Corp. Tax, Pub-		
lic service,		88
National Bank tax,	2 9	69
G. S. Mandell, use Road roller,	595	00
Loan from Merchants National		
Bank, Salem,	30,000	00
One auctioneer's license,	2	00
Contribution from Maxwell Nor-		
man,	200	00
One pool license,	2	00
State Treasurer, account Gypsy		
Moth Com.,	38	70
Randall Adams, fees, Weights		
and Measures,	25	75
Auditor's draft from City of Bos-		
ton, account tuition scholars,	82	50
Two druggist's licenses,	2	00
Sale of single grave,	10	00
S. A. F. Whipple, carriage hire,	1	00
Sheriff Johnson, account fines,	5	00
State Treasurer, account Gypsy	•	
Moth,	7	75
Sale Cemetery lots,	30	00
District Court, fines less fees,	3	3 3
G. von L. Meyer, use of Roller o	n	
avenue,	402	10
J. K. Davenport, endowment of		
Cemetery lot,	100	00

State Treasurer, Corp. tax, Pub-			
•	\$7,409	04	
National Bank tax,	948		
State Aid,	732		
Burial of indigent soldiers,	_ 37		
Street Railway tax,	1,462		
Beverly Gas and Electric Co.,	-,		
account Tree Warden,	15	75	
B. W. Palmer, for use of Road	20	• •	
Roller,	36	00	
G. S. Mandell, for use of Road			
Roller,		50	
W. H. Gleason, for endowment			
of Cemetery lot,	100	00	
E. G. Brewer, from sale of old			
junk,	2	00	
Hannah M. Whipple, for care of			
Cemetery lot,	100	00	
G. K. Knowlton, from sale of			
scholar's tickets,	7	00	
G. K. Knowlton, from sale of			
supplies,		63	
G. K. Knowlton, from telephone			
use,		40	
Hamilton Veteran Association,			
account Decoration Day,		00	
Interest on deposits,	147	22	
Total,		\$106,015	55
Total,		Φ100,010	UU

TREASURER'S PAYMENTS.

Paid Selectmen's orders,	\$32,530	68
Soldiers' relief,	96	00
State aid,	638	00
Note Merchants National Bank	, 10,000	00
Interest on same,	170	00
Merchants National Bank, inter	-	
est, three notes, three months	, 322	50
Merchants National Bank, inter	-	
est, three notes, three months	, 337	50
Merchants National Bank, Town	1	
note due December 12, 1913	, 20,000	00
Merchants National Bank, three	Э	
months interest on \$30,000.00	337	50
W. B. Atkinson, by Order o	f	
Court,	5	11
A. T. Poole, by Order of Court	, 3	27
Bureau of Statistics, certifying	y' 5	
notes,	9	00
George E. Roberts, care of en	-	
dowed cemetery lots, 1912,		00
Deposited Danversport fund in		
Ipswich Savings Bank,	100	00
Deposited W. H. Gleason fund		
in Ipswich Savings Bank,	100	00
Deposited Hannah M. Whipple		
fund in Ipswich Savings Bank		00
State Treasurer, Town Hall bond		
No. 16,	1,000	00
State Treasurer, six months inter		
est due March 1913,	100	0.0

State Treasurer, six months in-	
terest on five 4 per cent.	
Schoolhouse bonds, \$98	00
One-fourth druggist license to	
State,	50
Six months interest on four Town	
Hall bonds, 80	00
Six months interest on five	
Schoolhouse bonds, 98	00
State tax, 10,240	00
State Highway, repairs, 133	00
Corporation tax, Public service, 30	34
Essex County Treasurer, 7,958	93
Old Colony Trust Co., one school-	
house bond, 980	00
Old Colony Trust Co., twelve	
months interest on seven bonds, 137	20
School Warrants, 14,055	95
Hamilton Veteran Association,	
•	00
Check-book balance, December	
81 , 1913, 5,266	52
Cash on hand December, 31,	-
1913, 1,006	62
	\$106,019 62
Deduct account cash being "over"	
\$4.07,	4 07
Total,	\$106,015 55

RESOURCES.

Due from	Estate of F. A. Smith,	\$46	00		
	Joseph Martell,	19	93		
	Town of Needham,	35	36		
	John Gaffey,	186	00		
	A. R. Merrill,	12	00		
	Town of Wenham,	5	40		
	Total,	7		\$304	69

LIABILITIES.

One Town note,	\$5,000	00			
Interest on note, three months,	56	25			
Eight schoolhouse bonds, \$980 each,	7,840	00			
Four Town Hall bonds, Nos. 17, 18,					
19, 20,	4,000	00			
Total,			\$16,896	25	

Highway Department.

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, Superintendent.

Excise Tax, Street Railway,			\$1,124	37
Appropriation,			5,000	00
Deid C. E. Whinnle and halv laken				
Paid C. E. Whipple and help, labor		4.4		
and teams,	\$5,181			
F. Berry, labor and teams,	52	20		
Mrs. J. H. Knowlton, gravel,	128	60		
C. W. Appleton, offset acct. taxes,				
T. A. Moynihan,	23	20		
D. D. Stone, cleaning catch basin,	10	00		
Walter E. Tuck, labor and sup-				
plies,		30		
William D. Sohier, oiling ac-		00		
count,				
,				
Essex Trap Rock & Construction		~ 0		
Co., stone,		58		
E. A. Frear, labor, Depot Square,	293	00		
E. Lawrence, double teams,	290	40		
G. W. Fitz, rocks, stone and				
gravel,	60	00		
George R. Dodge, gravel,	138	20		
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	102			
Acct. error April 24th,		03		
E. A. Whipple, double team,		40		
F. Ayers, " "		60		
G. M. Adams, ""	106	20		

F. Whipple,	double	team,	\$103	20		
A. G. Symonds,	66	66	57	00		
E. Barker,	66	66	37	80		
Arthur Day,	66	66	64	80		
Benjamin Dodge,	66	66	94	20		
W. F. Dodge,	66	66	81	00		
T. A. Moynihan,	doubl	e teams	3			
and gravel,				60		
Arthur Sonia, gra	vel,		61	80		
Barbour, Stockwel	11 & C	o., three	9			
style "K" grat	te and	frames	, 36	00		
C. A. Hobbs, labor				00		
P. Scully, labor an	id repa	irs,	10	50		
R. Robertson, sup			1	05		
Hamilton Hardwa	_	supplie	s,	40		
Horace Dodge, do				05		
Loring Dodge, do			4	05		
W. L. Smith, repa		,		25		
G. M. Adams, gra			28	00		
C. E. Whipple, su		gravel				
pipe and loam,		0 .		10		
* *					ΦF 0.05	20
Total,					\$7,307	22
			_			
m			Expend		Overdi	raft
Town Appropriation,			\$7,307	22		
Street Railway Excise T	ax, 1,	124 37				
	\$6,12	24 37	\$7,307	22	\$1,182	85

GUARD RAIL.						
Appropriation,	\$300 00					
Paid C. E. Whipple, double teams	and					
labor,	\$15 15					
A. B Towle, supplies and lal						
Hamilton Hardware Co., s	•					
plies,	3 05					
J. F. Pope & Son, lumber	85 11					
Total,	\$160 56					
Received Expended	l Balance					
\$300 00 \$160 56	\$139 44					
WEIGHTS AND M	MEASURES.					
Credit by fees,	\$25 75					
Paid W. & L. E. Gurley, for suppl	lies, \$43 16					
Hobbs & Warren, supplies,	1 00					
J. W. Goodhue, "	1 00					
Total,	45 16					
Balance,	\$19 41					
ROAD ROL	I FD					

Appropriation,			\$1,000	00
Earnings for use of Roller,			1,231	50
Paid S. Malone, repairs,	\$1	50		
W. J. Daley, oil,		28		

W. J. Channell, engineer,	\$307	56		
Buffalo Steam Roller Co., sup-	_			
plies,		12		
R. Robertson, supplies,	5	25		
Checketts Garage, oil and sup-				
plies,	10	20		
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-	25	86		
plies,	8	50		
New England Road Machinery				
Co., supplies,	8	50		
C. W. Appleton, account taxes	_			
(T. A. M.)	39	24		
William Welch, engineer,	316			
_				
Sprague, Breed & Brown, coal,	99	79		
S. Malone,				
C. E. Whipple, coal,	44	00		
T. A. Moynihan, coal,	26	57		
			\$824	62
Deduct from account, earnings Roller,			104	00
Total,			\$720	$\overline{62}$
Received Expended		Balaı	ace	
\$2,231 50 \$720 62		,510		
\$2,201 00 \$120 0Z	Ψ1	,010	00	

STREET WATERING AND OILING.

Appropriation,			\$2,500	00
Paid W. J. Daley, oil,	17	54		
W. D. Sohier, contribution,	100	00		
Studebaker Bros, supplies,	6	00		
Gulf Refining Co., oil,	771	00		

G. M. Adams, teams and labor, Arthur Day, double teams, B. Dodge, ""	\$123 10			
Arthur Day, double teams,	,,			
· ·	10			
R Dodge " "				
8 1	21	6 0		
W. F. Dodge, " "	21	60		
C. E. Whipple, labor, double				
teams and gravel,	990	71		
Mrs. J. H. Knowlton, gravel,	11	00		
E. Barker, double teams,	21	60		
J. Lamson, "	43	20		
E. Laurence, " "	48	60		
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-				
plies,	10	87		
R. Robertson, supplies,	5	06		
Checketts Garage, supplies,		60		
G. M. Adams, gravel,	22	40		
			\$2,226	41
Deduct account order 272 error,				20
			\$2,226	21
Received Expended		Bala	ance	
-		\$273		
\$2,500 00 \$2,226 21	8	\$273	79	

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation,			\$4,100	00
Paid Globe Gas Light	t Co.,	\$2,698 13		
Beverly Gas &	Electric Light			
Со.,		1,093 77		
Total,		٧	\$3,791	90
Received	Expended	Bala	nce	
\$4,100 00	\$3,791 90	\$308	10	

REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation,			\$2,000	00
Paid E. Lawrence, years of 1911, Dec.				
31, to Feb. 28, 1913	\$262	5 5		
Charles F. Kinsman, labor,	1	75		
A. G. Symonds, double team,	3	00		
F. M. Whipple, double teams and				
labor,	5	25		
William Morse, 1912-13, labor,	1	75		
C. W. Appleton, account taxes,				
(T. A. M.),	224	75		
S. Malone, repairs,	1	35		
C. E. Whipple, teams and labor,	36	50		
Total,			\$536	90
Received Expended	E	Balar	ice	
\$2,000 00 \$536 90	\$1	,463	10	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

	\$500	00
00		
50		
30		
75		
50		
	00 50 30 75	50 30 75

Erle G. Brewer, fighting fire and		
9 9	811	50
James Hughes, fighting fire,	4	50
Fred Turpin, " "	1	00
A. Lightbody, " "	1	00
E. A. Frear, "	1	00
James Powers, " "		50
G. E. Lincoln, " "		75
J. Kinsella, " "		50
R. Randlett, "		50
E. P. Dodge, "	6	25
J. S. Bradstreet, " "	4	75
Standard Ex'tg Co., supplies, 1	108	00
Wendell Dodge, fighting fire,		75
F. Walsh, ""		50
F. Sargent, ""		50
Fred. McGrath, " "		75
Francis Dodge, " "		50
E. A. Underhill, " "	1	00
T. A. Moynihan, teaming sprayer,	5	00
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies,	4	39
H. E. Andrews, "	21	99
A. L. Perley, fighting fire and		
various,	39	25
Edmon F. Morrisy, watching fire,	2	00
J. B. Lane, open hose wagon and		
brake,	240	00
J. N. Crowe, compound extension		
ladder,	15	6 0
F. P. Trussell, lumber,	1	36
P. Scully, supplies,	10	00

A. C. Cummings, teams and expressage,G. M. Adams, supplies,	\$30	00 25		
Total,			\$611	14

Received Expended Overdraft \$500 00 \$611 14 \$111 14

TREE WARDEN.

ERLE G. BREWER, Superintendent.

Appropriation,				\$300	00
✓ Paid E. G. Brewe	r, labor and expense,	\$96	00		
✓J. S. Bradstr	reet, labor,	48	25		
✓E. P. Dodge	, "	38	50		
✓E. A. Under	chill, "	17	00		
✓ L. F. Gorma	n, "	2	00		
✓ B. D. Letart	5,	2	00		
A. C. Cummi	ings, team hire,	18	00		
Albert Burn	ham, filing saw,		50		
	ardware Co., supplies,	8	75		
✓ S. T. Harade		2	00		
H. E. McGr		5	00		
√F. McGrath,	0 .	6	00		
✓H. E. Page,	66	7	00		
0 .	Nursery, 6 red ma-				
ples,		9	00		

\$2,500 00

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P. Scully, suppl. C. E. Whipple, Total,		\$2 50 3 04	\$265 54
Received \$300 00	Expended \$265 54	Balanc \$34 4	ee

GYPSY AND BROWN-TAIL MOTH.

ERLE G. BREWER, Supt.

Appropriation,

Allowed by the State Forester.

	Tillowed by the State Polester,			1,000	00
	Private property,			881	90
	From State Highway,			46	45
	Total,			\$4,463	88
/	Paid E. G. Brewer, Supt.,	\$822	17		
	✓ H. McGregor, labor,	46	26		
	✓ S. T. Haraden, "	66	00		
	✓ E. A. Underhill, "	491	25		
	✓ L. Gorman, "	208	71		
	S. Malone, labor and supplies,	4	56		
	✓ E. P. Dodge, labor,	547	97		
	✓J. S. Bradstreet, "	475	13		
	✓ B. Letarte, "	158	13		
	Wakefield Daily Item, Moth				
	notices,	1	75		
	A. C. Cummings, team hire,	276	75		
	✓ Harry E. Page, labor,	86	50		
	Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-				
	plies,	21	78		
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√Bliss Ward, labor,	\$6	00
Checketts Garage, supplies,	12	11
E. Laurence, team and man,	140	00
Southbridge Print Works, sup	-	
plies,	2	50
George H. Gibney, insurance,	170	00
/ " " labor,	15	00
" " expressage,		80
/ Harry Taylor, labor,	38	00
✓ Fred McGrath, labor,	191	88
Total,	\$3,783	25
Received Expended		Balance
\$4,463 88 \$3,783 25		\$680 63

POOR DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,			\$2000	00
Paid Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-				
plies,	12	00		
R. E. Foss, M. D., professional				
services and medicine,	122	50		
R. H. Smith, rent,	72	00		
H. S. Back, board,	198	56		
W. J. Daley, supplies,	2	56		
H. E. Andrews, supplies,	49	41		
Associated Charities, (3) bills				
for supplies,	7	38		
Laura E. Ingalls, board,	240	00		
City of Beverly, aid and supplies,	30	35		

J. G. Corcoran, M. D., profes-	
sional services and medicine,	\$98 95
J. H. Whipple, rent,	60 00
Reed & Costello, rent,	40 00
Mrs. Mary Letart, board,	$72 \ 00$
C. A. Hobbs, board,	364 00
O. J. Kimball, supplies,	18 05
City of Lynn, aid,	91 68
Annie Woodbury, board and	
supplies,	133 14
Orders 446 and 106, aid,	104 00
J. M. Johnson, nursing,	3 00
Frank Dane, board,	50 00
A. W. Stone, supplies,	8 40
North Reading State Sanitorium,	
board and treatment,	17 14
Mrs. Annie Ober, board and	
lodging,	165 00
C. H. Davis, M. D., professional	
services,	1 16 50
T. A. Moynihan, coal and wood,	37 35
Town of Georgetown, supplies,	2 00
S. C. Gould, supplies,	31 79
C. W. Appleton, offset account of	
taxes, T. A. Moynihan,	7 50
E. Giles, supplies,	2 70
City of Salem, medical attend-	
ance and medicine,	4 50
A. O. Smith, board,	$42\ 65$
A. B. Towle, rent,	60 00
Mrs. Catherine LeBran, rent,	16 00

Order 553, aid,

\$150 00

\$ 7 00

\$38 05

A. C. Cumming	rs, services,	5	3	57		
Total,					\$2,341	68
Received \$2,000 00	Expended \$2,341 68				draft 68	
SOI	LDIERS' RELIE	EF.				
Appropriation,					\$150	00
Paid S. C. Gould, su J. G. Corcoran,	pplies, professional ser-	\$	5	00		
	d medicine,	10	6	95		
Total,	-				\$111	95
Received	Expended		В	alan	ice	

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

\$111 95

JOSEPH MERRILL, Chief.

Paid Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-		
plies,	\$ 2	75
O. A. Wood, services and ex-		
penses,	132	94
Wesley B. Atkinson, car fares,		
order of District Court,	1	20
A. T. Poole, services and ex-		
penses,	58	10

W. J. Daley, su	ipplies,	\$ 15	82		
Joseph Merrill,		688	96		
•	s, M.D., profes-				
sional services	_	9	00		
	Tel. & Tel. Co.,				
telephone serv		29	96		
Checkett's Garag			50		
Leroy S. Dodge,	_	_	00		
Chas. H. Smith,			60		
	e, uniforms, hel-	01	00		
mets, etc.,	e, uniforms, nor	62	50		
M. E. Robb, pho	tographer		50		
R. G. Bauer, sup	· -		60		
A. L. Perley, so	* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	00		
* '	ervices and ex-	120	15		
penses,	M D nuclea	120	40		
J. G. Corcoran,	_	o	00		
sional services		2	00		
A. C. Cummings.	auto service and	0.7	F 0		
teams,	_	87	50		
Total,				\$1,270	38
Received	Expended	Ov	erdi	raft	
\$1,000 00	\$1,270 38	\$2	270	38	

TOWN HALL.

Appropriation,			\$1,500 00
Paid W. J. Daley, supplies,	\$ 15	76	
R. G. Bauer, "	2	50	
Beverly Gas and Electric Co.,			
lighting hall,	66	00	

F. R. Shaller, tuning piano,	\$ 7	00
New England Tel. and Tel. Co.,		
telephone service,	41	82
Magee Furnace Co., supplies,	2	50
Geo. B. Robbins, "	4	20
J. W. Lee,	2	11
Sprague, Breed & Brown, coal,	2 3	84
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-		
plies,	5	70
E. S. Baldwin, coal,	221	66
S. A. F. Whipple, janitor,	432	00
Henry Jones, labor,	1	80
Cogswell & Safford, insurance on		
Town Hall,	450	00
Thos. S. Hatt, slating shed,	53	00
R. Robertson, labor and supplies,	21	35
C. W. Appleton, (T. A. M.),	124	38
Hobbs & Warren, supplies,	3	00
Wm. Jones, supplies and labor,	8	75
W. L. Smith, repairs,	20	00
F. P. Trussell, labor and supplies,	8	30
McQueeney Bros., electric sup-		
plies and labor,	27	10
C. E. Whipple, labor,	21	
G. A. Barker, steam boiler policy,	36	00
Zina Goodell, labor on boiler,	4	20
W. W. Bancroft, labor and sup-		
plies,	203	50
A. B. Towle, labor and supplies,	3	00
S. C. Gould, supplies,	3	31
F. C. Norton, water supply,	25	00

A. W. Brownel A. C. Cumming		\$1 00 50		
Total,	-		\$1,840	32
Received \$1,500 00	Expended \$1,840 32	Overdra \$340 3		

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation,			\$50 0	00
Paid H. E. Andrews, supplies,	\$28	32		
Checketts Garage auto service,	5	00		
G. H. Gibney, fumigations,	30	00		
E. A. Frear, care of dump,	26	00		
S. C. Gould, supplies,	63	58		
T. A. Moynihan, cleaning dump,				
Union Street,	5	00		
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-				
plies,		60		
J. W. Roberts, rent,	17	50		
J. G. Corcoran, M. D., professional				
service and medicine,	93	00		
C. E. Whipple, double team and				
labor,	64	78		
Ward C. Handy, quarantining,	30	78		
Alice McGlauflin, nurse,	27	00		
Charles H. Phillips, M. D., pro-				
fessional services,	23	50		

D. W. Kimball,	supplies,	8 29 22		
Jennie Tinkhan	n, nurse,	75 00		
A. C. Cumming	rs, teams,	1 50		
Total,	-		\$520	78
Received	Expended	Overd	raft	
\$500 00	\$520 78	\$20	78	
DI	ECORATION D	AY.		
Appropriation,			\$ 50	00
Paid J. L. Woodbur	ry, for Veterans'			
use,			25	00
Balance,			\$25	00
CEMI	ETERY COMMI	SSION.		
Appropriation,			\$300	00
Paid G. E. Roberts	and help, labor,	\$ 64 00		
F. C. Norton, sa	alary,	15 00		
F. Berry, labor	and teams,	102 00		
G. H. Gibney, s		15 00		
	n, salary \$15.00:			
extra work, \$	§2.13,	17.13		
			\$213	13
Received	Expended	Bala	ince	
\$300 00	\$213 13	\$86	87	

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S	SIDEWALKS.		
Appropriation,			\$400 00
Paid Rockport Granite	e Co., edge-		
stones,		\$82 40	
Charles A. Metca	alf, surveying		
and plans,		11 68	
C. E. Whipple, tea	ams and labor,	804 80	
F. Berry,	"	62 40	
Mrs. J. H. Knowlto	on, " · "	39 40	
E. Barker,	"	10 80	
F. Whipple,	"	10 80	
A. G. Symonds,	"	10 80	
G. R. Dodge, grav	vel,	34 7 0	
"	•	15 20	
Total,	•	\$	1,082 98
Received	Expended	Overdraf	t
\$400 00	\$1,082 98	\$682 98	
WIGG	LESWORTH 1	PARK.	
Appropriation,			\$500 00
Paid F C Nantan bill	noid	407 FF	

Paid F. C. Norton, bills paid, \$27 55 G. H. Haraden, labor, 3 60 Hamilton Hardware Co,, supplies, 6 10 C. E. Whipple, supplies, teams and labor, 49 59 Total, \$86 84 Received Expended Balance \$500 00 \$86 84 \$413 16

ASSESSOR	S' DEPART	MEN	т.		
Appropriation,				\$100	00
Paid Lilla D. Stott, Prol	bate work,			15	15
BOND	ING OFFICE	ERS.			
Appropriation,				\$130	00
Paid American Security C	o.,				
For Town Clerk,		\$ 2	50		
For Treasurer,		50	00		
For Collector,		75	00		
Total,				\$127	50
SCHOOL	DEPARTM	ENT.			
Paid John C. Paige, ins	urance, four				
school houses,		\$ 23	10		
G. H. Gibney, in	nsurance on				
South School,			00		
Barry Printing Co.,		126	45		
C. E. Whipple, doub	le teams and	4.4	0.5		
labor,		14	85		
O. J. Kimball, suppl	iles,		96	#205	0.0
Total,				\$225	36
Appropriation (insurance	e)			240	00
Appropriation, (shingling	g and paint-				
ing School houses)			\$40 0	00
Received	Expended		Bala	ance	
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\$225 36

414 64

\$640 00

HAMILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriation,	\$250	00
Paid Reginald C. Robbins, Treasurer,	\$250	00

SALARIES AND FEES.

Appropriation,			\$4,500 00
Paid A. T. Poole, Election Officer,	\$15	00	
C. W. Appleton, account, 1912,			
salary, \$200.00; account,			
salary, \$771.48,	971	48	
R. C. Gould, Election officer,	5	00	
George H. Haraden, Teller,	5	00	
A. T. Trask, Teller,	5	00	
A. H. Haraden, account, salary,			
1912, \$212.00, account, salary,			
1913, \$225.00,	437	00	
L. P. Appleton, Teller,	5	00	
S. C. Goodhue, "	5	00	
Arthur Southwick "	10	00	
G. H. Gibney, Assessor,	434	25	
G. H. Gibney, copying Valuation			
book,	20	00	
G. H. Gibney, Selectman,	100	00	
G. H. Gibney, Election officer,	10	00	
G. H. Gibney, journeys, \$43.00;			
Registrar of Voters, \$27.00,	70	00	
G. W: Fitz, journeys,	18	00	
G. W. Fitz, account, salary,			
Selectman,	250	00	

G. W. Fitz, Overseer of Poor,	\$ 33	00
G. W. Fitz, Board of Health,	16	66
G. W. Fitz, Election officer,	· 10	00
A. C. Cummings, Selectman,	135	00
A. C. Cummings, Overseer of		
Poor,	50	00
A. C. Cummings, Board of		
Health,	50	00
L. M. Whipple, Registrar of		
Voters,	45	00
G. M. Adams, Assessor,	305	25
C. H. Smith, Election officer,	5	00
E. G. Brewer, Teller,	10	00
F. R. Haskell, Teller,	10	00
S. A. F. Whipple, journeys,	7	00
" " recording mar-		
riages,	4	25
S. A. F. Whipple, recording births,	9	00
" deaths,	7	25
" " deeds,	2	75
" " Registrar of		
Voters,	45	00
S. A. F. Whipple, Election officer,	15	00
" " administering		
oaths and reports,	19	75
S. A. F. Whipple, return Repre-		
sentative vote,	3	00
S. A. F. Whipple, return Dog		
licenses,		
S. A. F. Whipple, oaths on Town		
notes, State papers,	3	50

\$ 48	12		
100	00		
10	00		
50	00		
45	00		
45	00		
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278	25		
402	39		
3	00		
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P. S. In some instances these amounts represent salaries to Dec. 31, 1913 only, owing to the books closing upon said date.

WATER COMMISSION.

Appropriation (none).

Paid E. L. Wildes,

MACADAMIZING WALNUT STREET.

Appropriation,		\$200	00
Paid F. Whipple, double teams,	\$ 2 40		
A. G. Symonds, " "	2 40		
T. A. Moynihan, gravel,	1 00		
C. E. Whipple, double teams,	39 99		
Mrs. J. H. Knowlton, gravel,	40		
Gulf Refining, Oil,	34 50		
Essex Trap Rock and Construc-			
tion Co., stone,	81 11		
Total,		\$161	80
Received Expended	Bala	ince	
\$200 00 \$161 80	\$38	20	

NORMAN FUND.

Contribution, 1912				\$200 200	
Paid S. G. Goodhu Geo. R Dodge C. E. Whipple E. B. Cole, lo	e, loam, e, teams and labor,	24	75		
Total,				\$140	56
Received \$400 00	Expended \$140 56		alanc 259 4		

MISCELLANEOUS.

Appropriation,			\$2,000	00
Paid Jeremiah F. Desmond, return of				
deaths, 1912,	\$	75		
E. C. Steeves, M. D., return of				
births,		5 0		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.,				
telephone service,	13	41		
Ipswich Chronicle, voting lists				
and ballots,	25	5 0		
J. G. Corcoran, M. D., return of				
births,	4	75		
Wm. Jones, flowers,	15	00		
G. H. Haraden, care of clock,	25	00		
Beverly Printing Co., supplies,	10	75		
Florence R. Schaller, typewriting				
records at Town meeting and				
service at Town meeting,	10	00		
Hamilton Hardware Co., sup-				
plies,		05		
W. J. Daley, supplies and stamps				
and box rent,	35	97		
Hobbs & Warren, supplies,	39	73		
Salem Rubber Co., "	2	65		
Barry Printing Co., "	28	00		
Etta W. Smith, return of deaths,				
1910-12,	2	25		
F. C. Schaller, printing,	1	5 0		
Cogswell & Safford, piano in-				
surace,	21	00		

plies,	\$5	00		
6	8	75		
Co., repairs,	2	00		
and rent,	15	00		
plies,	4	40		
shing Co., di-				
	4	50		
one service,	11	25		
, return births,	7	50		
ies,	1	34		
ense,	1	87		
			\$298	42
Expended	В	aland	е	
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SELECTMEN'S ORDERS.

RECAPITULATION.

Highway Department,	\$7,307	22
Guard Rail,	160	56
Weights and Measures,	44	56
Road Roller,	720	62
Street Watering and Oiling,	2,226	21
Street Lighting,	3,791	90
Removing Snow,	536	90
Fire Department,	611	14
Tree Warden,	265	54
Gypsy and Brown-Tail Moth,	3,783	25
Poor Department,	2,341	68

Soldiers' Relief,	\$111	95		
Police Department,	1,270	38		
Town Hall,	1,840	32		
Board of Health,	520	78		
Decoration Day,	25	00		
Cemetery Commission,	213	13		
Sidewalks,	1,082	98		
Wigglesworth Park,	86	84		
Assessors Department,	15	15		
Bonding Officers,	127	50		
School Department,	2 25	36		
Hamilton Public Library,	250	00		
Salaries and Fees,	4,365	90		
Water Commission,	5	00		
Macadamizing Walnut Street,	161	80		
Norman Fund,	140	56		
Miscellaneous,	298	42		
			\$32,530	65
Account error,				03
Total,			\$32,530	68

Tax Collector's Report.

Account of Taxes with the Town of Hamilton, up to February 29, 1914.

Due the Town for 1911, '12, '13 taxes, \$7,396 90 For 1911, \$547.36; 1912, \$1,742.78; 1913, \$5,106.76.

CHARLES W. APPLETON,

Collector.

Auditor's Report.

I have examined accounts foregoing, of the Town of Hamilton, and find them according to preceding reports, and are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW HARADEN,

Auditor.

Assessors' Report, 1914.

Value of buildings, Value of land,	\$1,605,250 981,870		
Value of real estate,		\$2,587,120	00
Value of personal estate,		2,614,825	.00
Total valuation,		\$5,201,945	00
Tax on real estate,		\$27,164	76
Tax on personal estate,		27,455	66
Tax on polls,		998	00
Total tax,		\$55,618	42
Corporation tax,		\$7,409	04
National Bank tax,		948	08
Street Railway franchise tax,		1,462	09
Street Railway excise tax,		1,124	37
Gypsy Moth assessment,		977	02
Tax on each poll,		2	00
Rate per 1,000,		10	50

Number of horses,	389
Number of cows,	264
Number of sheep,	15
Number of neat cattle other than cows,	42
Number of swine,	162
Number of dwellings,	508
Number of acres of land,	8,777
Number of fowl,	2,930
Number of residence assessed on property,	356
Number of non-residence assessed on property,	267
Number of persons assessed on poll only,	288
Total number assessed persons,	911
Special Assessment, December,	2,460 00

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
GEORGE M. ADAMS,
DANIEL D. STONE,
Assessors.

Town Clerk's Report.

There have been eleven hearings held by the Selectmen for the Pole locations, six of which were for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., and five for the Beverly Gas and Electric Co., all of which were granted.

REGISTRATION.

Forty-one male voters have been added to the voting list. Quite a number have been dropped from the list. Total number of male voters, 358. Total number of female voters, 18.

DOG LICENSES.

Whole number of licenses issued, 99. Total amount received, \$480. Amount paid over to the County Treasurer, less fees, \$460.20.

HUNTERS' LICENSES.

There were 70 certificates issued to resident hunters.

MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1913.

- April 30. George E. W. Woodason, Wenham, Martha E. Perkins, Hamilton.
- May 2. Frank McGregor, Hamilton, Annie McGoff, Hamilton.
- May 19. Woodbury W. MacCullum, South Hamilton, Margretta A. Wallace, South Hamilton.
- June 16. James Clifford Burns, South Hamilton, Angelica May Gamboa, South Hamilton.
- June 21. George Herman Sprague, Lyndonville, Vt, Ethel Sprague Adams, Hamilton.
- July 9. Richard J. Nagle, Hamilton, Margaret E. Faulkner, Salem.
- Aug. 9. Wallace H. Knowlton, Hamilton, Elsie Choate Trussell, Hamilton.
- Aug. 14. Warren H. Ashby, Hamilton, Ella K. Fowler, Hamilton.
- Sept. 3. Judson S. Bradstreet, South Hamilton, Helen M. Stevens, Beverly.
- Sept. 8. Harry L. Blaisdell, Hamilton, Vivian R. Drayton, Milton.
- Sept. 26. Wladialas Szymanski, Hamilton, Elise Somande, Hamilton.

- Oct. 3. Everett R. Stevens, Essex, Elizabeth B. Curran, Hamilton.
- Oct. 9. Chester P. Woodbury, Saugus, Mabel L. Peterson, South Hamilton.
- Oct. 15. Raymond C. Gould, South Hamilton, Pauline Chandler, South Hamilton.
- Oct. 25. Charles E. C. Witham, Wenham, Effie S. Jones, South Hamilton.
- Nov. 17. Reginald Cameron, Essex, Ella Story Norton, Essex.
- Dec. 20. John A. O'Leary, South Hamilton, Lillian A. McGlauflin, South Hamilton.
- Dec. 28. George N. Kay, Hamilton, Mamie Gilfillien, Hamilton.

BIRTHS RECORDED, 1913.

- Jan. 19. Marjorie Gardner, daughter of Erle G. and Marion (Cotesworth) Brewer.
- Jan. 23. Flora Warner, daughter of Winthrop F. and Lorena (Rounds) Dodge.
- Feb. 6. John Steven, son of Thomas and Julia (Burk) Sargent.
- Mar. 6. David, son of David and Margaret (White) Nelson.
- •Mar. 28. Eunice Mae, daughter of Leslie A. and Harriet E. (Cahoon) White.
- Mar. 30. ——, son of John M. and Louise DeLucca.
- Apr. 23. Marion, daughter of Telefar and Helen (Visnefsky) Chluzinski.
- May 12. Roger Tenes, son of James and Ganet H. (Law) Armstrong.

- May 26. Elinor, daughter of Elmer R. and Edith M. (Clark)
 Pope.
- May 26. Mary Angeline, daughter of Walter E. and Louise G. (Mahoney) Cushing.
- June 10. Virginia Louise, daughter of Morris G. and Helen W. (Frear) Hatt.
- June 17. Daniel Restal Porter, son of William and Cora (Bridges) Tuttle.
- June 24. Harry son of Arthur C. and May (Wilkinson) Kirby.
- July 2. Albert, son of Odille and Ida (Terrio) Trombly.
- July 17. John, son of Daniel J. and Elizabeth (McDonough) Foley.
- Aug. 16. Henry, son of James and May (Doyle) Saunders.
- Sept. 3. Henry Leslie, son of Archie L. and Sarah G. (Webster) Moore.
- Sept. 4. Everett Gilbert, son of Everett N. and Hattie B. (Merrill) Standley.
- Sept. 6. Eloise, daughter of Charles and Blanch (Ferguson)
 McRae.
- Sept. 10. Robert Priest, sons of Erford and Marion B. (Priest) Roger Davis, Fuller.
- Sept. 17. Leonie Sargent, daughter of Gustave F. and Lona A. (Sargent) Miller.
- Sept. 22. Charles Everett, 2d, son of Lester M. and Gladys M. (Smith) Whipple.
- Oct. 8. Gertrude Josephine, daughter of Clarence and Clara (Moon) Berry.
- Oct. 16. Ethelene Mary, daughter of William and Tryphena Gould.
- Oct. 24. Waldo Cullen, son of Cullen S. and Cora F. (Leighton) Thrasher.

- Oct. 28. Arthur Harcourt, son of Paul and Rachel (Parker)
 Merrill.
- Nov. 8. Herbert Grout, son of Frank B. and Bertha L. (Grout) Crowell.
- Nov. 12. Thomas, Jr., son of Thomas and Ellen (Walsh) Walsh.
- Nov. 22. ——, daughter of Frank and Mary (Kelly) Back.
- Dec. 3. Annabelle Margery, daughter of Minot W. and Ethel M. (Abbott) Foss.
- Dec. 16. Cornelius Joseph, son of Jeremiah J. and Nora J. (Carroll) Horgan.
- Dec. 20. Catherine Francis, daughter of John J. and Delia A. (Green) Corcoran.
- Dec. 26. Esther Madeline, daughter of Arthur and Alexandrina C. (Hutcheson) Dale.

DEATHS RECORDED, 1913.

		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.
Jan. 5.	Isabelle Irene Haskell,	70	11	22
Jan. 6.	Mary F. Fillebrown,	64	5	3
Jan. 31.	Carrie L. Rankins,	5 5	7	29
Jan. 31.	Unknown, "supposed to have been shot."			
Mar. 11.	Frances Henrietta Hood,	74	8	12
Mar. 29.	James L. Davis,	68	7	
Apr. 16.	Sarah Ann Davis,	71	7	1
Apr. 26.	Annie Arnold,	26		
May 12.	Emerson A. Whipple,	79	9	10
May 25.	Bertha Frances Gobeille,	34	10	18
June 24.	Harry Kirby,		3	hrs.
June 25.	Frank G. Durkee,	50		26
July 12.	John Cosgrove,	39		

		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.
July 15.	Sarah P. Hill,	54	8	15
July 26.	Ancelia Towle,	69	4	10
July 29.	John C. Chisholm,	37	8	29
Aug. 7.	James W. Clewes,	7	2	1,2
Aug. 14.	Martha A. Norwood,	64		
Aug. 16.	Ella LeTarte,	22	11	28
Aug. 18.	Sarah Evans Richardson,	82	10	29
Aug. 25.	Rebecca Newman,	90	9	5
Aug. 26.	Ida E. Morgan,	55	5	8
Sept. 8.	Mary Chludzansky,		1	21
Sept. 9.	Eugene Ritchie,	18	1	
Sept. 14.	Furman A. Smith,	67	11	
Oct. 3.	Daniel R. P. Tuttle,		3	16
Oct. 5.	Vincent E. Glover,		7	10
Oct. 28.	Hannah M. Whipple,	84	6	19
Dec. 2.	George H. Hood,	78	6	2
	BROUGHT INTO TOWN.			
Aug. 31.	William F. Warner,	67	9	10
Sept. 3.	Nellie E. Tibbetts,	63	5	26
Sept. 8.	Reuben K. Patch,	67	1	4
Oct. 5.	Daniel R. P. Tuttle,		3	16
Dec. 9.	Isabelle Watt,	84	3	18

SAMUEL A. F. WHIPPLE,

Town Clerk.

Term expires 1914

Report of Cemetery Commissioners.

(Closed December 31, 1913.)

At the Annual Town Meeting held March 11, 1913, Frank C. Norton was elected Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Secretary,	Term ex	pires 19	15
FRANK C. NORTON,	Term ex	pires 19	16
GEORGE E. ROBERTS, Superintend	lent of Cem	etery.	
RECEIPTS.			
Town appropriation,		\$300	00
EXPENSES.			
Paid George E. Roberts, labor in cem-			
etery,	\$ 64 00		
Fred Berry, grading avenues and			
other work,	102 00		
George K. Knowlton, services as			
Commissioner,	15 00		
George K. Knowlton, cash paid			
out and record work,	2 13		
George H. Gibney, services as			
Commissioner,	15 00		
Frank C. Norton, services as			
Commissioner,	15 00		
Total,		\$213	13
Balance unexpended,	•	\$86	87

In the new part of the Cemetery several avenues have been graded, the ground between plowed and sown with winter rye. This will need to be turned under in the spring and grass seed sown.

At some time the Town should have an estimate of the cost of drainage for the lower ground made with a view of laying some tile for that purpose. This would require the services of a surveyor.

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation of \$300 for all ordinary expenses.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
FRANK C. NORTON,
Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of Park Commissioners.

(Closed December 31, 1913.)

At the Annual Town Meeting held March 11, 1913, George K. Knowlton was elected Park Commissioner for three years.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman, CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Secretary, FRANK C. NORTON,

Term expires 1916 Term expires 1914 Term expires 1915

\$ 87 84

\$412 16

RECEIPTS. Town appropriation, \$500 00 EXPENSES. Paid Charles E. Whipple, team and labor, \$50 59 Frank C. Norton, bills paid, 27 55 Hamilton Hardware Store, supplies, 6 10 George H. Haraden, labor, 3 60

The large balance on hand of the appropriation of five hundred dollars comes from the fact that no claims for damages against the Town for taking the Wigglesworth cemetery property for a public park have been paid during the financial year.

Total.

Balance unexpended,

Three claims have been put in for payment. The Commissioners have had these titles examined and have sent out the necessary legal papers for signature.

This property is now owned by the Town of Hamilton as a public park. It has been transformed from a neglected cemetery into a beautiful ground for public use.

The Commissioners recommend the name of "Central Park" to be given to this property by vote of the Town.

As there will be some expenses to meet during the year we recommend an appropriation of \$200.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,
FRANK C. NORTON,
Park Commissioners.

Report of Committee on Water.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

Your committee appointed to investigate a water supply for the Town beg leave to submit the following:

Two propositions are presented, the first and most expensive would be for the Town to establish, own and operate its own plant, by taking water from the Miles River Basin, at which point there is unquestionably a good and plentiful supply, but the cost would be considerable, testing out the wells, pumping to a stand pipe, located at the most convenient and accessible point, laying mains that would supply a good part of the Town, estimated at about seven miles, maintaining pumping station, machinery and the distribution system, not including land damages, would incur an expense approximately to \$80,000 and in addition to this an efficient engineer whose salary would probably be from \$80 to \$100 a month. In this case the Town would have to issue bonds and pay interest annually. While this plan looks very feasible for a good and abundant supply of water, considerable trouble would probably be met with in the not far distant future from the accumulation of iron sediment which prevails to a more or less extent in all the water in the underlying strata of the Hamilton district, and a filtration plant would probably have to be installed and your committee are advised that in all probability that if later in any event a supply of water could be obtained from the City of Beverly, that this expensive plant, with the exception of the mains would most likely be abandoned.

Our second proposition is to take water from the City of Beverly, provided a satisfactory price could be obtained, and we are advised it could be. It would be necessary to lay a twelve inch main from the Beverly reservoir to the Hamilton Town line, a distance of nearly three miles, at an estimated cost of about \$8,000 per mile, not including allowance for rock work, or for special work in taking care of Macadam roads in case the roads have to be dug up. Your committee are advised that probably the City of Beverly or some private parties would meet this expenditure of installing this main and that the Town would only be called upon to pay the annual interest charges probably at five per cent. If the Town of Wenham should decide to take water from this main it would reduce the cost of installing considerable to the Town of Hamilton. From the Town line the Town could put in its own distributing system as most needed, furnishing water for fire purposes in the village of South Hamilton, and also further distribution as the public may require.

Your committee regret exceedingly that they are not able at the present time to put before the Town a good straight proposition for the best and most economical way to get a water supply, but obstacles are in the way. This second proposition meets with our favor most at present, because of apparently abundant supply and less cost. The Hon. Nathan Matthews, Chairman of the Salem and Beverly Water Committee, has stated that an additional legislative act will have to be passed, and probably will be at this session of the legislature, giving this committee further power in tapping the Ipswich River at a more desirable point, and that when this is accomplished and the State Board of Health

approve, rapid progress will be made in building a dam and conserving all the surplus water, say from November to May, thereby filling both Idlewood and Wenham lakes, and giving abundant supply of good pure soft water for all who may wish to use it.

The Committee on Water, by

W. C. WARE, Secretary.

Hamilton, Mass., February 28, 1914.

Public Library Report.

I hereby submit my annual report as Librarian of the Hamilton Public Library.

Early in the year, we were sorry to learn that Hon. Augustus P. Gardner, who had served many years as Trustee and also as Treasurer of the Library, thought it necessary to announce his resignation. At the annual Town Meeting Mr. Arthur W. Chandler was elected Trustee in his stead. Mr. Reginald C. Robbins was chosen Treasurer.

No special change has been made in the management of the Library work. The "Branch Library" which was established at the store of Mr. O. J. Kimball, South Hamilton, has proved entirely satisfactory to the public in general. It is open for the distribution of books Tuesday and Saturday afternoons and evenings, of each week, and the patronage has so increased that Mr. Kimball has been obliged to engage some one to assist him in the work. I would again call the attention of the public to the suggestion-box placed in the "Gail Hamilton Reading Room." Any one who wishes to offer suggestions for the good of the Library, may do so by writing them out on paper, signing them, and dropping the paper in the box. The suggestions will then be placed before the Trustees, and if deemed advisable, will be acted upon.

Through the courtesy of the W. C. T. U., the Library was presented with a year's subscription to "The Union Signal" a temperance paper which will be found on the table of the Reading Room. We wish to thank the Society for sending it.

To all those who have made gifts of books or magazines, we wish to extend thanks. These gifts indicate that the donors are interested in the work, even if they are not able to visit the Library.

GRACE C. STONE,

Librarian.

Appended may be found a list of books added to the Library during the past year.

Addams, Jane	
Twenty Years at Hull House	B A12
Aldridge, Janet	
The Meadow Brook Girls Across Country	F2651
The Meadow Brook Girls Under Canvas	F2652
The Meadow Brook Girls Afloat	F2653
Anderson, Galusha	
When Neighbors Were Neighbors	F26 69
Babbit, Ellen C.	
Jataka Tales	F2667

Backus, Mrs. Henry	
The Career of Dr. Weaver	F2612
Bacon, Josephine D.	
The Inheritance	F2510
Barclay, Florence L.	
The Broken Halo	F2647
Through the Postern Gate	F2507
Barr, Amelia E.	
A Maid of Old New York	F2648
The House on Cherry Street	F2501
Bassett, Mary E. S.	
A Midsummer Wooing	F2592
Beach, Rex	
The Iron Trail	F2610
Bindloss, Harold	
A Prairie Courtship	F2622
The Long Portage	F2522
Blanchard, Amy E.	
A Daughter of Freedom	F2745
Bosher, Kate L.	
The House of Happiness	F2660
Brown, Abbie F.	
Their City Christmas	F2526
Brown, Alice	
Robin Hood's Barn	F2659
The Secret of the Clan	F2542
Brown, Edna A.	
Uncle David's Boys	F2625
Bryant, Marguerite	
The Dominant Passion	F2656
Burnett, Frances H.	
T. Tembarom	F2665
Burroughs, John	
Time and Change	814.41B

Cahan, A.	
The White Terror and the Red	F2572
Carleton, William	
New Lives for Old	814C2
Carson, Shirley	
The Motto of Mrs. McLane	F2527
Churchill, Winston	
The Inside of the Cup	F2559
Comstock, Harriet	
A Son of the Hills	F2641
Cooke, Grace M.	
The Joy Bringer	F2604
Corcoran, Brewer	
The Bantam	F2543
Crockett, S. R.	
Patsy	F2548
Cutting, Mary	
The Lovers of Sanna	F2594
Daulton, Agnes M.	
The Gentle Interference of Rab.	F2532
Daviess, Maria T.	
Rose of Old Harpeth	F2608
Davis, Charles B.	
In Another Moment	F2593
Davis, Richard H.	
The Red Cross Girl	F2506
Deland, Ellen D.	
The Fortunes of Phoebe	F2508
DeLa Pasture, Mrs. Henry	
Michael	F2605
Dimock, A. W.	
Be Prepared: Boy Scouts in Florida	F2626
Douglas, Amanda	
Seven Daughters	F2584

From Hand to Mouth	F2585
Nelly Kinnard's Kingdom	F2586
Home Nook	F2587
In the King's Country	F2606
The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe	F2640
Dowd, Emma C.	
Polly of the Hospital Staff	F2514
Polly of Lady Gay Cottage	F2531
Doyle, A. Conan	
The Lost World	F2557
Dugmore, A. Radcliff	
Wild Life and the Camera	590D
Eaton, Edith	
Mrs. Spring Fragrance	F2544
Eldred, Warren L.	
Classroom and Campus	F2530
Emerson, Alice B.	
Ruth Fielding at Silver Ranch	F2630
Ruth Fielding at Lighthouse Point	F2631
Ruth Fielding at Snow Camp	F2632
Ruth Fielding at Briarwood Hall	F2633
Ruth Fielding of the Red Mill	F2634
Farnol, Jeffery	
The Amateur Gentleman	F2504
Flower, Jessie G.	
Grace Harlowe's	
Grace Harlowe's Sophomore Year at High Schoo	l F2627
Grace Harlowe's Junior Year at High School	F2628
Grace Harlowe's Senior Year at High School	F2629
Forbush, Hulburt	
Game Birds, Wild Fowl, Shore Birds	598. 2 F1
Foote, Mary H.	
A Picked Company	F2537

Footner, Hulbert	
New Rivers of the North	910.9F1
Fox, John, Jr.	
The Heart of the Hills	F2519
Fraser, A. Keith	
A Garden of Spices	F2658
Gause & Carr	
The Story of Panama	972.08G & C
Glyn, Elinor	
Halcyone	F260 3
Grahame, Stewart	
Where Socialism Failed	335G
Gregory, J. W.	
The Making of the Earth	551G
Grimm,	
Popular Tales and Household Stories	F2566
Gulliver, Lucile	
The Friendship of Nations	
Haines, Alice C.	
Partners for Fair	F2588
Harrison, Henry S.	
V. V's Eyes	F2614
Hill, Fred T.	
The Accomplice	F2575
Holland, Rupert S.	
The Boy Scouts of Birch Bark Island	F2500
Hornaday, Wm. T.	
Our Vanishing Wild Life	591.57H
Hornebrook, Isabel	
A Scout of To-day	F2602
Howells, W. D.	
New Leaf Mills	F2534
Hutchinson, A. S. M.	
The Happy Warrior	F2505

Televater Mong	
Johnston, Mary	F2644
Hagar Wayne Cichout	F 2044
Kapp, Gisbert	537K.
Electricity Kennison, Ida	557 IX.
Prince Rupert's Guest	F2541
Kilbourne, Capt. C. E.	1 2011
An Army Boy in the Philippines	F2623
King, Basil	12020
The Way Home	F2637
Knipe, E. B. & A. A.	1 2001
The Lucky Sixpence	F258 9
Laselle, M. A. and Wiley, K. E.	12000
Vocations for Girls	395.5L.&W.
Lawton Register Co.	000.0H.WW.
Register of the Towns of Manchester, Es-	
sex, Hamilton and Wenham	974.45L.
Leacock, Stephen	011,1013.
Sunshine Sketches	F2517
Nonsense Sketches	F2621
Leblanc, Maurice	
" 813 "	F2573
Lee, Jennette	
The Taste of Apples	F2639
Lincoln, Joseph C.	
Mr. Pratt's Patience	F2560
Lippmann, J. M.	
Making of Martha	F2617
Lutz, Grace L. H.	
Lo, Michael	F2661
Macaulay, Rose	
The Lee Shore	F2513
Macgrath, Harold	
Hearts and Masks	F2655

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Parrot & Co.	F2613
The Place of Honeymoons	F2498
Marchmount, Arthur	
In the Cause of Freedom	F2570
Marden, Orison S.	
Training for Efficiency	177M
Marriott, Crittenden	
Sally Castleton, Southener	F2516
Masefield, John	
Jim Davis	F2551
Maule, Henry E.	
Boy's Book of New Inventions	690.8M
Maxwell, W. B.	
General Mallock's Shadow	F2558
McCutcheon, George B.	
A Fool and his Money	F2650
Nedra	F2571
The Hollow of her Hand	F2533
Meade, L. T.	
In Time of Roses	F2654
Light O' the Morning	F2662
The Little Prince of Tower Hill	F2615
Messer, Clarence J.	
Mr. Responsibility, Partner	F2 52 5
Mitchell, S. Weir	
Westways	F2645
Mullins, Isla M.	
The Blossom Shop	F2561
Napier, Rosamond	
Tamsie	F2546
Nethersole, S. C.	
Wilsam	F2591
Norris, Kathleen	
Poor Dear Margaret Kirby	F2518
The Rich Mrs. Burgoyne	F2520

O'Connor, Mrs. T. P.	
Little Thank You	F2590
Olmsted, Millicent	
Harmony Wins	F2646
Oppenheim, E. P.	
The Mischief Maker	F2521
Orczy, Baroness	
The Scarlet Pimpernel	F2636
Parker, Gilbert	
The Judgment House	F2503
Patchin, Frank G.	
The Pony Rider Boys in the Grand Canon	F2550
Patterson, Marjorie	
Fortunata	F2576
Payson, Lieut. Howard	
The Boy Scouts of Mountain Camp	F2596
The Boy Scouts of the Eagle Patrol	F2597
The Boy Scouts at Panama Canal	F2598
The Boy Scouts and the Army Airship	F2599
The Boy Scouts for Uncle Sam	F2600
The Boy Scouts on the Range	F2601
Perkins, Lucy F.	
The Japanese Twins	F2540
Perry, Bliss	
Salem Kittredge and Other Stories	F2671
Porter, Eleanor	
Miss Billy's Decision	F2607
Pollyanna	F2511
Porter, Gene Stratton	
Laddie	F2663
Poulsson, Emilie	
Johnny Blossom	F2538
Prouty, Olive H.	
Bobbie, General Manager	F2536

Quirk, Leslie W.	
The Fourth Down	F2512
Raymond, Evelyn	
The Boys and Girls of Brantham	F2578
Reed, Myrtle	
Old Rose and Silver	F2649
The Master's Violin	F2502
Rhodes, James F.	
Lectures on the American Civil War	81541.41R
Rhodes, Nina	
The Girl from Arizona	F2638
Richards, Ellen H.	
Euthenics, Science of Controllable Envi-	
ronments	$575.3\mathrm{R}$
Richmond, Grace M.	
Mrs. Red Pepper	F2609
Roberts, Theo. G.	77.3 * 4 #
The Harbor Master	F2547
Saintine, X. B. Picciola	Eac.70
	F2670
Sanderson, Margaret The Camp Fire Girls at Hillside	F2618
Sangster, Margaret	F 2016
Eastover Parish	F2524
Smith, F. Hopkinson	T 2024
The Arm Chair at the Inn	F2515
Spearman, F. H.	1 2010
The Mountain Divide	F2509
Speed, Nell	12000
Molly Brown's Freshman Days	F2562
Molly Brown's Sophomore Days	F2563
Molly Brown's Junior Days	F2564
Molly Brown's Senior Days	F2565
St. John, Edward P.	
Stories and Story Telling	371.39S
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Stephens, Robert N.	
The Road to Paris	F2569
Stevenson, Robert L.	
The Wrong Box	F2672
Stevenson, Burton E.	
The Young Apprentice	F2535
Stinson, Frederic J.	
In Cure of her Soul	F2673
Tarbell, Ida M.	
The Business of Being a Woman	396T.
Tarkington, Booth	
The Flirt	T2549
Tindalater, M. & J.	
Penny Moneypenny	F2539
Vachell, Horace A.	
Bunch Grass	F2545
Vance, Louis J.	
The Day of Days	F2528
Victor, Ralph	
Boy Scouts: Canoe Trip	F2579
Boy Scouts: Motor Cycles	F2580
Boy Scouts in the Canadian Rockies	F2581
Boy Scouts: Patrol	F2582
Boy Scouts: Aircraft	F2583
Waitt, Isabel W.	
The What Shall I Do Girl	F2552
Walford, L. B.	
The One Good Guest	F2668
Ward, Mrs. Humphrey	
The Mating of Lydia	F2595
Warren, Geo. A.	
The Farmer Boy Scouts on a Tour	F2624
Watanna, Onoto	
A Japanese Nightingale	F2529

Watson, Marjory	
The Responsibility of Ruffles	$\mathbf{F2666}$
Wentworth, Patricia	
The Devil's Wind	F2523
White, Bouck	
The Mixing	F2657
White, Stewart E.	
Gold	F2643
Wiggin, Kate Douglas	
The Story of Waitstill Baxter	F2616
Williamson, C. N. & A. M.	
The Port of Adventure	$\mathbf{F}2635$
Woolly, Laselle	
Faith Palmer at the Oaks	F2499

TREASURER'S REPORT.

REGINALD C. ROBBINS, Treasurer, in account with Trustees of Public Library at Hamilton, Mass.

REGULAR APPROPRIATION.

DR.

January 1, 1913. Balance to credit	
of Library Trustees,	\$537 16
April 5, 1913. Received for sale of	
old books in January, 1913,	5 00
April 11, 1913. From Horace E.	
Andrews, fines at South Hamil-	
ton Branch Library, collected to	
February 28, 1913,	1 96
August 23, 1913. From Osgood J.	

Kimball, fines at South Hamilton Branch Library, collected to August 20, 1913,	\$8	44		
October 4, 1913. From Reginald C. Robbins, cash received by him	#0			
for sale of old magazines, October 15, 1913. From John L. Woodbury, Treasurer of the Town of Hamilton, being the amount appropriated at last Annual Town Meeting for sup-	1	75		
port of Library,	250	00		
			\$804	31
CR.				
April 5, 1913. Paid Warrant No. 1 as follows:—				
To Reginald C. Robbins for cash paid by him (a) to O. J. Kimball, for expenses of Branch				
Library, (b) F. C. Schaller, for print-	\$ 3	35		
ing posters,	1	75		
-			\$5	10
To Newcomb & Gauss, for print-	10	F		
ing cards and slips,	10	75		0.~
To A I A Publishing Poor I for			\$15	85
To A L A Publishing Board, for A L A Booklist, 1913,	1	00		
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To William J. Daley, for teaming books,	\$1	00		
For luncheons to bookbinders,		76		
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			\$1	76
To Osgood J. Kimball, rental and				
	Ф1 O	75		
and salary to March 31, 1913,	\$18	10		
To Horace E. Andrews, rental				
and salary to February 28,				
1913,	8	33		
To Grace C. Stone, salary to				
March 31, 1913,	50	00		
Extra time to March 31, 1913,	15	00		
Expressage paid in cash by her,		25		
-			\$65	25
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To Almy, Bigelow & Washburn				
for books purchased,	51	78		
To Reginald C. Robbins for cash				
paid by him to F. C. Schaller				
		75		
for printing receipts,		10		
			\$163	47
Note. The above warrant also				
included a charge of \$25.45 to				
Allen Fund Income account.				
July 2, 1913. Paid Warrant No. 2				
as follows:—				
To Osgood J. Kimball, rental and				
salary to June 30, 1913,	37	50		
To Grace C. Stone, salary to June				
30, 1913,	50	00		
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P. O. box rent paid by her, Expressage paid by her,		20 40	
			\$50 60
To Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, for books purchased,	5 7	73	
			\$145 83
Note. The above warrant also included a charge of \$51.60 to Dodge Fund Income account. October 4, 1913. Paid Warrant No 3 as follows:—			
To Grace C. Stone, salary to September 30, 1913, To Osgood J. Kimball, rental	50	00	
and salary to September 30, -1913,	37	50	
To Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books purchased,	31	26	
			\$118 76
December 20, 1913. Paid Warrant No 4, as follows:			
To Frank C. Norton, for team used in carting books to and from South Hamilton branch, 2			
times at \$1.00 per round trip, For expressage paid by him for 6	\$ 2	00	
months' P. O. box rental, To Almy, Bigelow & Washburn,		70	
books purchased,	22	83	

To Edward L. Perley, for bind-				
ing books,	13	80		
To A. L. A. Publishing Board,				
for A. L. A. Booklet, 1914,	1	00		
To Grace C. Stone, salary to Dec.				
31, 1913,	50	00		
To Osgood J. Kimball, rental and				
salary to Dec. 31, 1913,	37	50		
		_	\$128	08
Note—The above warrant also included a charge of \$10 to Allen Fund Income account.			*	
October 4, 1913. Paid for express on books to bindery, per F. C. Norton, out of eash in hand received for sale of old magazines,				25
Regular appropriation — Total of 4				
Warrants, plus cash paid as				
above,	\$556	39		
December 31, 1913. Balance to				
credit of Library Trustees,	247	92		
create of Dibrary Trustees,	211			
			\$804	31

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN FUND.

A. Principal Account.

January 1, 1913. Capital amount on deposit in Salem Five Cent Savings Bank,

\$500 00

B. Income Account. DR. Balance on hand in January 1, 1913. Merchants National Bank, Salem. \$15 86 March 20, 1913. Income received from Allen Fund, deposited, 10 00 October 18, 1913. Income received from Allen Fund, deposited, 10 00 \$35 86 CR. April 5, 1913. Paid Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books purchased (see Warrant No. 1), \$25 45 December 20, 1913. Paid Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books purchased (see Warrant No. 4), 10 00 December 31, 1913. Balance to credit of Trustees in Merchants National Bank, Salem, 41 \$35 86 H. AUGUSTA DODGE FUND. A. Principal Account. January 1, 1913. \$1,000 United Fruit Co., 41-2 per cent. bond at cost, \$963 13

36 87

\$1,000 00

Balance of original legacy on deposit in Merchants National

Bank, Salem,

B. Income Account.

DR.

January 1, 1913. Balance on hand in			
Merchants National Bank, Sa-			
lem,	\$68	82	
March 27, 1913. Interest from bond,	22	50	
July 1, 1913. Interest from bond,	22	50	
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\$113 82

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July 2, 1913. Paid Almy, Bigelow &	- 1
Washburn, annual subscrip-	
tions to magazines for Read-	
ing room (see Warrant No. 2),	\$51 60
December 31, 1913. Balance to credit	
of Trustees on deposit in Mer-	
chants National Bank, Salem,	62 22
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\$113 82

REGINALD C. ROBBINS,

Treasurer.

E. and O. E.

Police Department.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit my report of the Police Department, from April 28, to Dec. 31, 1913.

Whole number of arrests during my term, 29; divided as follows:

Males,	29	Residents,	16
Females,	0	Non-Residents,	13
Americans,	18	Adults,	29
Foreigners,	11	Minors,	0

RECAPITULATION.

Crimes against the person,	5
Crimes against property,	1
Crimes against good order,	23
Persons committed to station,	19
Persons arrested on warrants,	10

AGGREGATE TERM OF IMPRISONMENT.

House of Correction,	3 months
Reformatory at Concord (1),	Indefinite period

OFFENCES.

Assault,	5
Drunkenness,	14
Forgery,	1
Larceny,	1
Neglect of family,	2
Vagrancy,	3
Violation auto law,	3
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	29

DISPOSITION.

Appealed,	1
Continued cases,	1
Discharged by Court by payment of costs,	1
Fined and paid,	3
Fined and continued for payment,	1
House of Correction,	3
Placed on file,	4
Probated,	3
Reformatory, Concord,	1
Released,	9
To officers of other cities,	2
	29

MISCELLANEOUS.

Accidents reported,	3
Broken wires reported,	1
Buildings found open,	4
Complaints received about,	112
Complaints investigated,	107
Cruelty to animals investigated,	2
Dead bodies cared for,	2
Defective streets and sidewalks reported,	2
Defective wires reported,	1
Disturbances suppressed,	13
Dogs reported lost and found,	3
Dogs killed,	4
Fires extinguished without alarms,	1
Fires discovered and alarms given,	3
Intoxicated persons taken home,	3
Injured or sick persons assisted home,	3
Lights extinguished in buildings,	7
Letters received and answered,	27
Locked up for safe keeping,	2
Lost children restored,	3
Medical attendance on prisoners,	1
Money found on prisoners,	\$23 87
Nuisances abated,	3
Officers attendance at Court,	44
Property reported stolen, value,	\$57 00
Property recovered and found, value,	41 40
Permit to spray,	2
Report to Prison Commissioners,	1
Street obstructions removed,	1
Assisting officers of other cities and towns,	8
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INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY.

5	Police coats,	\$50	00
5	Police helmets,	12	50
5	Police badges,	5	00
5	Police billeys,	5	00
5	Pairs handcuffs,	15	00
5	Flash lights,	7	50
1	Police record book,	5	00

IN CONCLUSION.

I desire to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk, Samuel A. F. Whipple, Judge George B. Sears, of the First District Court of Essex, and all others who have assisted in any way in promoting the welfare of this department; also all members of the Police force for their efforts in trying to uphold the welfare and reputation of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH MERRILL,

Chief of Police.

List of Appropriations as Recommended by the Selectmen.

Highways,	\$5000 00
Street watering or oiling,	2500 00
Street lighting,	5000 00
Road roller,	1000 00
Guard rail,	300 00
Sidewalks,	600 00
Poor deparment,	2000 00
Soldiers' relief,	150 00
State aid,	700 00
Military aid,	150 00
Decoration day,	50 00
Town hall,	1800 00
Fire department,	500 00
Cemetery,	300 00
Tree warden,	300 00
Salaries and fees,	4500 00
Police department,	1500 00
Library,	400 00
Snow removing,	2000 00
Board of Health,	500 00
Brown-tail and gypsy moth,	2500 00
Town and schoolhouse loans,	1980 00
Interest on said loan,	650 00
Bonding officers,	130 00
Assessors' department,	100 00
Schoolhouse note,	
Miscellaneous,	1000 00
Schools,	14,000 00
Total,	\$49,610 00

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Essex, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town, on Tuesday, the tenth (10th) day of March, nineteen hundred and fourteen, at six (6) o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your ballots for

Moderator for one year.

Town Clerk for one year.

One Selectman for one year.

Overseers of the Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers, for one year.

Treasurer for one year.

Auditor for one year.

Tax Collector for one year.

Tree Warden for one year.

Three Constables for one year.

One Assessor for three years.

One School Committee for three years.

One Trustee of Public Library for three years.

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

One Park Commissioner for three years.

And to vote on the following:

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town for the coming year? Yes or no.

All on one ballot. The Polls will open at six (6) o'clock and close at ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon.

- ART. 2. To choose or appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.
- ART. 3. To hear the Reports of the Town Officers and act thereon.
- ART. 4. To raise and appropriate money for the repairs of highways, Town ways and Bridges, and all other Town expenses, and to determine the manner of spending the same.

- ART. 5. To see if the Town will accept Railroad Avenue Extension as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money to grade and gravel the same. Petition of J. Jeddrie and others.
- ART. 6. To see if the Town will accept Lincoln Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money to grade and gravel the same. Petition of M. S. Lovering and others.
- ART. 7. To see if the Town will accept Park Street Extension so called as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money to grade and gravel same. Petition of Fred R. Haskell and others.
- ART. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to place street lights on Moulton Street from the last light now in place to Sagamore Street. Petition of Charles W. Smith and others.
- ART. 9. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$200 for the benefit of the Norman fund being the amount donated by Mr. Norman in 1912 and not used in that year.
- ART. 10. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of their accounts and the installation of an accounting system in accordance with Chap. 598, Acts of 1910, as amended by Chap. 706, Acts of 1913.

- ART. 11. To hear the report of the water committee and take action thereon.
- ART. 12. To hear the report of the committee on acquiring land for High School and play ground.
- ART. 13. To see what action the Town will take toward furnishing a supply of water for the South School.
- ART. 14. To see what action the Town will take toward the construction of a cellar under the South School Annex.
- ART. 15. To see what action the Town will take toward repairing the South School and Annex.
- ART. 16. To see what action the Town will take towards raising and appropriating a sum of money not to exceed fifty (50) dollars for the purpose of observing Decoration Day by the Soldiers of the Rebellion.
- ART. 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning March 10, 1914, in anticipation of the revenues for said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving the note or notes of the Town therefor.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use agreeable to Chapter 25, Section 75, of the Revised Laws.

ART. 19. To determine what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due, and take any action thereon.

ART. 20. To act on any other matters that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Meeting House, one at the Town Hall, and one at the South Hamilton Post Office, in said Town, seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of February, A. D., 1914.

GEORGE W. FITZ, A. C. CUMMINGS, GEORGE H. GIBNEY,

Selectmen of Hamilton.



SCHOOL REPORT.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

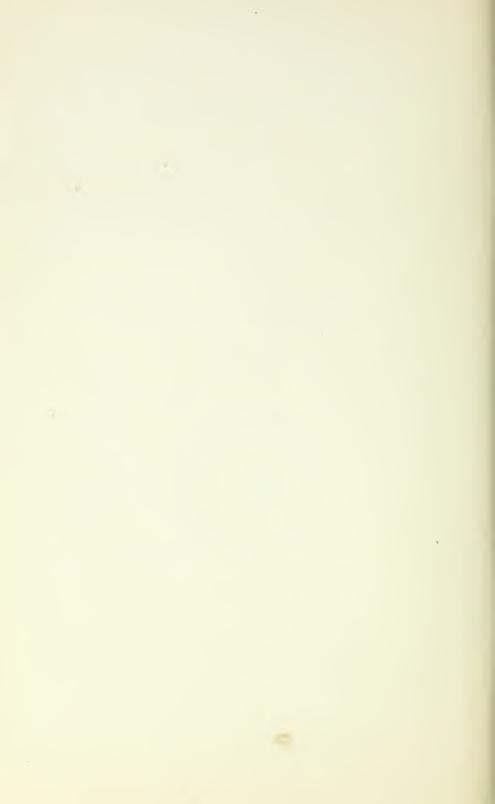
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TOWN OF HAMILTON

1913-1914



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School Committee's Report.

Annual report of the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton for the year 1913-1914.

ORGANIZATION.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Chairman,	$\mathbf{T}\mathbf{erm}$	expires	1916
ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR., Secretary,	66		1915
C. Augustus Norwood,	66	66	1914

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON, Purchasing Agent. HENRY G. BLOUNT, Superintendent to close of last school year.

ELDRIDGE SMITH, Superintendent present school year.

JOHN G. CORCORAN, M. D., School Physician.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(Closed December 31, 1913.)

Amount appropriated for Schools,	\$15,600	00
Dog Tax,	260	65
Tuition from City of Boston,	82	50
Supplies, scholars' tickets, telephone calls,	17	03
Special appropriation for repairs and painting,	400	00
Special appropriation for insurance on South		
schoolhouse,	240	00
	\$16,600	18

PAID TEACHERS.

Mr. Henry G. Blount, Principal and		
Superintendent,	\$927	50
Mrs. Laura D. Blount,	375	00
Miss Gladys Ferguson,	599	38
Miss Florence M. Holmes,	668	75
Mrs. Margaret P. Buell,	769	70
Miss Susan E. Knapp,	537	56
Miss Margaret A. Wallace,	332	88
Miss Marian L. Richardson,	317	81
Miss Edith L. Fletcher,	575	00
Miss Annie Chase,	548	90
Miss Nelly G. Cutting,	484	80
Mrs. Grace C. Stone,	484	80
Miss Ruth P. Barrows,	276	00
Miss Flora Lipson,	287	50
Mr. Henry L. Stone,	200	00
Miss Gladys Daggett,	169	00
Mr. E. W. D. Merrill,	412	50
Miss Lillian L. Russell,	215	62
Miss Ellen E. Bennett,	217	10
Miss Mildred F. Wildes,	217	10
Miss Julia E. McLaren,	199	20
Miss Julia E. Connolly,	197	30
Miss Rachel H. Steele,	153	90
Mrs. M. G. Pearson, substitute,	31	75
Miss Grace D. Rowland, substitute,	11	25

\$9,210 30

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

H. G. Blount, Superintendent to June 30, 1913, wages included under teachers.

Eldridge Smith, Superintendent to December 31, 1913,

\$200 00

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

John G. Corcoran, M. D., to December 31, 1913, \$125 15

JANITORS.

James H. Perron, South	Schoolhouse,	\$780 00
Arthur C. Rowe, "	66	4 00
Sylvester Day, East	66	30 00
Karl T. Smith, North	66	30 00
Alfred Shadbott, West	66	30 00
N. W. Nutter, Centre	46	29 00

\$903 00

FUEL.

T. A. Moynihan,	\$816	18
I. F. Knowlton,	54	00
G. M. Adams,	7	00

\$877 18

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$501	75
Ginn & Company,	109	15
American Book Company,	76	20
J. L. Hammett Company,	29	90
Library Bureau,	20	00
D. C. Heath & Co.,	18	79
Oval & Koster,	15	60
Horace E. Andrews,	10	68
C. H. Congdon,	8	35
Remington Typewriter Co.,	3	15
Wright & Potter Printing Co.,	3	00
O. J. Kimball,	3	62

\$800 19

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. A. Peterson, stock and labor on		
schoolhouses, \$1	28	64
Robert Robertson Co., steam and plumb-		
ing work,	85	86
W. L. Smith, sanitary work,	98	70
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co., tele-		
phone service,	62	42
Beverly Gas & Electric Co., electric		
power and light,	50	34
John W. Goodhue, hardware supplies,	48	86
A. C. Cummings, team and freight,	54	69
Flash Chemical Co., school room sup-		
plies,	35	00

Frank E. Burnham, mason work,	\$48	47
Fred C. Schaller, printing,	19	50
John McCaughn, stock and labor for		
schools,	34	54
John B. Hill & Son, cleaning clocks,	5	50
James H. Perron, team and cash paid		
out,	9	90
Oscar A. Wood, services as truant officer,	21	99
Alfred Shadbott, extra work at West		
school,	8	50
Hamilton Hardware Store, hardware		
supplies,	8	33
N. W. Nutter, extra work at Centre		
school,	7	00
E. A. Lane, glass and setting,	6	49
W. F. Colesworthy, stock and labor at		
East school,	4	00
W. W. Bancroft, repairs at South		
schoolhouse,	2	90
Fred Berry, work with team at East		
school,		20
H. G. Blount, cash paid out,		75
George Checkett, Jr., electric supplies,	2	45
W. S. Lee, electric supplies,	2	00
Eldridge Smith, paid for telephone,		45
W. J. Daley, school room supplies,	3	05
Peoples Express Co., expressage,		50
B. & M. Railroad, freight,		75
Henry Bushek, Inspector of boilers,		00
Mrs. J. F. Pitman, labor at North school,		
F. P. Trussell, repairs on schoolhouse,	1	70

Barry Printing Company, printing,	5	75
Arthur C. Damon, school furniture,	2	50
Somerville Brush Co., school room sup-		
plies,	15	
District nurse, professional service,		50
N. G. Cutting, school yard supplies,		75
C. E. Whipple, manure,	3	00
Zina Goodell, boiler room supplies,	2	15
Florence A. Schaller, typewriting work,	1	10
F. J. Barnard, rebinding books,	4	68
W. G. Webber Co., window shades,	19	40
Irving W. Allen, printing study lists,	3	75
Dustbane Mfg. Co., school room supplies,	5	25
Sylvester Day, labor on school yards		
and expressage,	8	50
S. C. Gould, schoolroom supplies,	11	02
A. C. Lunt Estate, school furniture,	9	75
John R. Mann, team for use of Supt.	28	00
Philip Sculley, iron work for boiler room,	1	85
Robert Robertson, Jr., services as secretary		
of committee,	25	00
Robert Robertson, Jr., use of auto in		
school work,	10	00
George K. Knowlton, repayment of		
cash paid out,	15	32
George K. Knowlton, repairs and		
special work,	9	25
George K. Knowlton, procuring teachers.	24	00
George K. Knowlton, purchasing agent		
and clerical work,	73	50
George K. Knowlton, taking and tabu-		
lating school census	25	0.0

George M. Adams, setting trees and				
sanitary work,	43	42		
Albert A. Dodge, 20 Maple trees				
for school yards,	15	00		
			\$1,130	22
TRANSPORTATION OF S	СНОІ	AR	S.	
George K. Knowlton, for scholar's				
tickets,	\$45	00		
Mildred E. Smith,	22	00		
Bessie M. McGregor,	23	00		
Elizabeth B. Curran,	23	20		
Daniel D. Curran,	15	80		
Bertha M. Johnson,	7	80		
Edith F. Fitz,	7	80		
Marion A. Crowley,	7	80		
David L. Haskell,	3	90		
			\$156	30
SPECIAL WORK	ζ.			
Wm. W. Bancroft, repairs and painting				
East and West schoolhouses,	\$114	71		
Alfred T. Poole, repairs and painting				
Centre schoolhouse,	102	00		
Frank P. Trussell, stock and labor on				
North schoolhouse,	128	20		
Fred Berry, grading North school yard	d, 68	70		
			\$413	61
Special appropriation,			400	00
Exceeding appropriation,			\$13	61
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INSURANCE.

Insurance on the South schoolhouse for \$8,000 which expired February 3, 1913, has been renewed for five years at the cost of \$240 00

RECEIPTS.

Total receipts,

\$16,600 00

TOTAL PAYMENTS.

		\$14,055 95
Insurance,	240	00
Special work,	413	61
Miscellaneous,	1,130	22
Transportation of scholars,	156	30
School supplies,	800	19
Fuel,	877	18
Janitors,	903	00
School physician,	125	15
Superintendent Smith,	200	00
Paid teachers,	\$9,210	30

SCHOLARS' TICKET ACCOUNT.

Balance on hand December 31, 1913, \$2,544 23

George K. Knowlton, received for purchase of scholars' tickets, \$45 00

Balance from December, 1912,	\$10 46		
		\$55	46
Paid B. & M. R. R. Co., for scholars'			
tickets,		26	00
Balance on hand December 31, 1913,		\$29	46

ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOLS, 1914-1915.

The following is an estimate of the amount of money that should be raised and appropriated by the Town for all public school purposes for the municipal year 1914-1915, \$14,000.

The South schoolhouse should be painted during the summer vacation, and the committee recommend an appropriation of \$350 for that purpose.

In presenting our report for another financial year, we are pleased to say that much has been done in the interest of the schools. At the close of the school year in June, Mr. Blount resigned his position of Superintendent of schools and principal of the High school, and accepted a position in the Higgin's Classical Institute at Charleston, Maine. Mr. Eldridge Smith was engaged to fill the vacancy of superintendent, and Mr. Evan W. D. Merrill was selected for principal of the High school. Both are doing splendid work.

The special two thousand dollars appropriated last year has provided us with the necessary amount of money to carry us down to the annual Town meeting in March, when the school appropriation will be made for another year.

The balance on hand December 31st, 1913, of \$2,544.23, will be sufficient to pay the teachers and all other ordinary

expenses for the months of January and February, 1914, so that the amount of appropriation that we recommend for the schools for the year should be sufficient for the municipal year which closes on the second Tuesday in March, 1915.

The special appropriation of \$400 for repairs and painting the district schoolhouses has been expended and the houses put in good condition.

Twenty English maple trees have been set in the East, West and North school yards.

In a circular issued in December by the Hamilton Board of Health, and containing a report from the State Board of Health, of the analysis they caused to be made of water taken from several wells at South Hamilton, we find the following statement: "The waters of all these wells were found to be polluted, many of them to such an extent as to be unsafe for domestic use.

Among these the worst were the wells at the South school and several others in that locality.

The further use of these wells should be prevented."

Now, whatever action the public at large may take in regard to this matter, it is the duty of the school committee to protect the schools from everything that would be a source of injury or danger to them.

In the interim before any action can be taken at Town meeting as to a supply of good water, the committee has arranged for a supply of drinking water of known purity.

For the work and progress of the schools the committee is pleased te refer to the report of the Superintendent.

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON,
ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR.
C. AUGUSTUS NORWOOD,
School Committee.

Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton,

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my first annual report.

My term of office began so recently that I have hardly had time to get a clear idea of the problems which you are trying to solve. My report therefore must be very general in its nature. I have visited all the schools and found the work running about as smoothly and as well as the present conditions will allow.

CASES OF INEFFICIENCY.

In my opinion the schools of Hamilton are not as good as they should be. The children are not getting a square deal. A child living in Hamilton should have just as good an opportunity to make the most of himself as the one living in Beverly. Bold and ignorant of the conditions would be the person who would say that a boy's opportunity in the schools of Hamilton is equal to that of a boy's in Beverly or is at all commensurate with the town's wealth and resources.

A few instances will bring to your attention what is meant. Take the matter of first grade instruction. In the outside schools a first grade pupil receives about thirty minutes of actual instruction per day. The rest of the time—four hours and a half—is absolutely wasted, even worse than wasted because these young children are subjected to conditions which at their best tend to wreck them physically. Thirty minutes of instruction, four hours and a half of waste

per day! Four first grades are at present suffering in this way. Inefficiency is stamped on any system which allows such waste.

A condition little better than that of the first grades exists in all the primary grades of the outside schools. From three-fifths to four-fifths of the total time spent in school is wasted. In the upper grades the waste is greatly lessened because the pupils have acquired the ability to study by themselves. Nevertheless the waste is far from being eliminated.

The West School offers a special case of inefficiency in our system. Last October two Italian boys were enrolled, neither of whom could speak English. It is evident that such children need special help from the teacher. Such help under present conditions cannot be given. The teacher has six grades under her care. She cannot do much more. The boys receive about thirty minutes of her time per day. We can never hope to give such boys as these the necessary training for American industrial, civic and social life unless we provide special means.

PROMOTIONS.

For years educators have been trying to do away with or at least to modify the lock-step system of yearly promotions. Different schemes are now in vogue. Yearly promotions are easily administered but quite often do not take into consideration that the schools exist for the children and not for administrators. A boy who can do the work of the sixth grade in half a year should be given an opportunity to do the work. A child should not be made to repeat a whole year in a grade when half a year would do. The child who through sickness is forced to leave school should be given

the opportunity to do profitable work just as soon as possible. The girl who can do the work of a year and a half or of two years in one year should be given a chance. It is not necessary for all children to spend eight years in completing the grades. Many can do it in seven, some in six. These should be given an opportunity. Great flexibility should be in any scheme of promotion. Nothing can be more deadening to the child than to repeat work which does not call for his best endeavors. Provision should be made for a more flexible system of promotion in your system.

NEW SCHOOL.

You do not need any warning from me of the necessity of early action on a new school building. The citizens of Hamilton have known of this need for some time.

I realize that I am going contrary to current public opinion when I advise the building of a new Grammar School instead of a High School. The reasons underlying this advice are:

- (1) The present South School could be made with comparatively small expense into a first class High School Building which would accommodate the high school pupils of Hamilton for several years.
- (2) The South School is so situated that it could be used for a High School for both Hamilton and Wenham. If suitable accommodations were offered, I understand that Wenham would be glad to assist in the support of a High School. If the school was placed at a great distance from the Hamilton-Wenham line, all chances for co-operation must be abandoned.

- (3) One large Grammar School could be so located that it would satisfy the needs of all the elementary school children in the town. This would have many great advantages.
- (a) The abandoning of the outside schools where efficient work can never be done. The little red schoolhouse may have a place in a poet's dreams but it certainly has no place in a Massachusetts town whose citizens are striving for the best interests of each and every child.
- (b) The giving to each and every child his due share of the instruction paid for by the town. As the system is now administered, the child in the first grade in the South School gets five hours of instruction, the one in the West School thirty minutes.
- (c) Greater flexibility could be introduced in the scheme of promotions.
- (d) The town could then afford to have a first class man as principal. The necessity of having a man at the head of a school, especially where there are many boys four-teen years of age, needs no proof.

If it should seem wise for the town to build such a school, I should advise that the unit system of construction be used. A paragraph taken from the School Board Journal will explain what I mean.

"In the western cities the school population has been increasing at a phenomenal rate for the past two decades, and School Boards are sorely pressed to provide room for the constant increase. In every important city, enlargement after enlargement to the original buildings has been made, often resulting in an ill-advised arrangement and an excessive cost. In the enlargement of old buildings in Tacoma it

was found that 20 to 25 per cent of the cost was used in modification and reconstruction, and it was this that suggested to Mr. Heath (School Board Architect) the unit system, which has been consistently followed ever since by the Tacoma Board. The result is that Tacoma possesses an almost unique nucleus of a future school system which is flexible, economical and practical. An eight room unit has generally been built first. A unit of this size permits the permanent position of entrances, stairways, heating plant and plumbing, and the future additions are classrooms only. The plans are worked out to develop into twenty four room buildings which is the ultimate size which the School Board expects to build."

In my opinion it would be wise for Hamilton to erect a twelve room building putting in all the heating, plumbing, etc., looking forward to a sixteen room building. Twelve rooms should accommodate the elementary pupils for the next seven or eight years. Then by adding four more rooms sufficient accommodations would be given for ten or more years.

MANUAL TRAINING.

I again urge upon you the need of Manual Training in your schools. The value of such training needs no discussion. It seems to me that there could be no better time than now for its introduction. Suitable quarters can be fitted up in the basement of the South School. There is no special expense in the School Department this year; there is bound to be heavy expenses within a few years. With an outlay of not more than five hundred dollars, permanent equipment could be installed which would serve our needs of to-day and would form part of the equipment of the new building when-

ever it is built. The cost of instruction per year would not go beyond three hundred dollars which would amount to one hundred and twenty dollars for this fiscal year if we begin this work next September.

To offset Manual Training for the boys I would recommend Sewing for the girls. The expense of this would not go beyond two hundred dollars a year or if we begin it with the Manual Training, about eighty dollars. A special appropriation of seven hundred dollars would permit us to have hand training for both boys and girls.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I would say that the great question for you as a committee and for the citizens of the town to decide is whether Hamilton really wishes an efficient educational system. With this answered in the affirmative, every effort should be made toward introducing modern methods of efficiency in school organization and administration.

Respectfully submitted,

ELDRIDGE SMITH.

High School Principal's Report.

MR. ELDRIDGE SMITH,

Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that I respond to your request for a report upon the condition of the High School, but I shall beg you to allow me to present briefly a few facts and merely to suggest at this time recommendations which I would submit later in more definite form, when I have more than a half year's acquaintance with the school and its problems. Established only a few years ago, the school has progressed toward a well rounded institution far more rapidly than is usual and reflects great credit upon the members of the committee who have planned and the teachers who have executed with such good results. I find my task is to continue a program of progress well begun. It frequently takes many years, in Hamilton it will require but few more I am sure, to outline and put into effect plans which will cover all features of the life of a school and its service to the community.

The enrolment this year is seventy, a gain of twelve over last year. The outgoing class will number eight, the incoming class next September probably twenty-five. There is every reason to believe that the school will continue to increase in numbers at the rate of about fifteen a year. This is the leading fact of many which point imperatively to the need of early action on the matter of a new building. For a year or two the school can overcome with reasonable success the difficulties of the present situation. After that it will be practically impossible to do so.

We have been following this year the course of study as last published. I shall beg leave to submit before the close of the year some suggestions as to changes. We need to offer fully one-third of our pupils more opportunities in the first three years of the course for training for earlier practical work in life. Out of a class of twenty-five entering the ninth grade it is not probable that more than ten will continue in school more than three years, and of these ten no more than three probably will make any use of their

course as preparation for higher institutions. The adoption of some of the recommendations of the State Board as to programs in small high schools would improve our course very much. Mechanical drawing, manual and domestic arts should be given a place as soon as they can be supported.

An established and well appreciated system of discipline is a step in advance very much needed and very careful and effective attention is being given to the matter with the hearty co-operation of the teachers and of nearly all pupils. There are still a few to whom the school can render no more profitable service than the development of self-control and personal responsibility and reliability.

"School Spirit" is a very real thing of great importance. It requires years to develop it fully. In the early history of a new school it is unsteady, fickle, flaring up at one moment and almost dying at another. It comes to burn steadily with great and compelling force only when in the course of years school social and athletic functions become well organized and established by tradition, and when alumni attain success in life and begin to look back with the appreciation of mature years upon the school that cared for them in their youth. These institutions and traditions connected with a school cannot be cut out and made by pattern. If they are to be living things they must just grow, under the law of the survival of the fittest softened by the guidance of the experience and mature judgment of those who plan and work for the whole interest of the school. The Hamilton High School must find its proper place in athletics and is striving to that end. The "Washington Trip" is a school function worthy of support and now struggling for survival. It urgently needs the hearty and earnest care of school authorities and friends, for it involves many problems difficult to solve but for which exact not merely approximate answers must be found. The organization of the alumni is an event to be hoped for in the near future.

The High School is maintained this year as an institution separate from the Grammar School in every administrative way. My duties and responsibilities are those of the principal of the High School only, co-operating with the principal of the Grammar School in such matters as concern our use of the same building. This relation has been very successful and we have dealt with the difficulties inseparable from the circumstances of working on schedules differing in the hours for sessions and recesses with common interest, forbearance, and patience. We agree, however, in the conviction that both schools will gain great advantage when the time comes that they may be conducted in separate buildings.

We have established for both schools a very effective fire drill through which the building is cleared of every person in less than a minute, the best time taken so far being forty-three seconds. The system also includes a roll-call in the yard after passing out, so that in less than two minutes the principals are able to report all present or accounted for.

In closing I want to express heartiest appreciation of the great interest shown in our success by the members of the School Board and yourself, and of the kindness with which we are always greeted when we come to you for advice and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

EVAN W. D. MERRILL,

Principal.

Report of Supervisor of Music.

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

The amount of time given to the Hamilton schools by the Supervisor of Music is the same this year as last; but, however, since a re-arrangement of grades took place at the begining of the year, the amount of time allotted to several of the grades in the South school had to be reduced.

The method employed this year differs but slightly from that of last year,—the changes being necessitated mostly by the individual character of the work done in the lower grades.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

In the first grade nothing technical is taught. The singing of songs by note forms the main part of the work. These songs are selected with view to their appropriateness and for the inculcation of various musical concepts. Naturally some time has to be devoted to those children whose limited range of voice must be extended. It is a pleasure, however, to say that no real monotones are to be found this year in this grade.

In the second grade singing by note is continued, and later in the year work in reading is taken up. New books have been received this year, and good results are expected, for these books possess just the kind of material desired to make the step from the first to the third grades a gradual one.

In the third and fourth grades stress is put on individual and collective sight-reading. Here, too, graded tonal and rhythmical exercises are given for the training of the ear. In the remaining grades attention is given to various technical problems, part-singing, interpretation, analysis, and so forth. More and more difficult chromatic work is taken up,—work which stimulates the mind because of the more expressive intervals and richer harmonic material.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

At the West school the pupils are taken in two divisions, and, as this is not a large school, results can be obtained in the time allowed.

At the North school three divisions are necessary because of the number of pupils, and in the time allowed it is almost impossible to do satisfactory work. At nearly every visit it has been necessary to run over the allotted time to get over the work assigned even in a very hurried manner.

At the East school conditions are very much like those at the North. This school never was so large during the service of the present Supervisor of Music, and, because of the time loss at the North school, it receives less time then in former years,—a fact which ought to be the reverse.

At the Center school conditions are satisfactory.

I suggest that the North and East schools each receive at least three quarters of an hour in order that individual attention may be given to the lower grades and that satisfactory work may be done in the upper grades.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The High school this year has a large chorus, a selected chorus of about two-thirds of the large chorus, and a quartette. The work is progressing favorably and good results are confidently expected.

Here, when there are many musical students, a cultural course in music, counting toward a diploma might well be added to the curriculum; and I suggest that some thought be given to the introduction of a course in Appreciation of Music.

The hearty co-operation and conscientious efforts of the principals and teachers are gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. STONE.

Report of Supervisor of Drawing.

Mr. Eldridge Smith,

Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

Some one asks: "Why try to teach all the children in our common country schools to draw when so few of them have the talent and the opportunity to become artists?"

Drawing, properly taught, develops the child's power to see, to think, to construct, to express, to invent—powers we all know are essential to success whether the possessor is to become an artist, farmer, mechanic, or man-of-all-work.

We teachers must therefore strengthen and direct pupils along these lines so long as they are with us, leaving

the question of deciding the particular use to which the skill shall be applied, to the temperament, opportunity and inclination of the individual.

We are teaching drawing in connection with nature, for it is alone in our environment created by the All Wise Teacher, that we find food for all our intellectual and spiritual needs. We are trying (though our time is painfully limited) to follow out the logical sequence of Seeing, Thinking, Constructing, Inventing;—for the making of lines, the blocking in of masses of color are but a small part of a real drawing lesson.

For example: nearly every country boy and girl has seen the swallow darting in and out some barn or out building, but he has not marked the magnificent curves, rythmic as music, of his circling flight, the exact balance of his body, the beauty lines of his breast, wings, head, throat; the acute accentuating angles of wing tips and tail feathers, the glorified creature he becomes seen against the sky of sunset or of dawn.

Having been led to see these things the child is next stimulated to think of the forces of nature which this little being combats, so successfully, by his wonderful adroitness, intelligence and adaptation to the business for which he was created,—that of catching insects in mid air.

The construction results, now in the drawing of a bird from accentuating grace and motion; in a fruit drawing accentuating colors and shadows; in pose drawings to enforce and illustrate the necessity of keeping to proper proportions in any construction. In the designing (of which we have yet attempted little because of our pupils lack of previous training) the child's powers of invention are given play.

These problems should be carried through all the grades and carefully reviewed and enlarged upon during the first year of high school work with the addition of the following:

- 1. Problems in composition.
- 2. Problems in perspective.
- 3. Problems in geometrical drawing.
- 4. Problems in design with talks on the theory of design.

These can be carried on in the second and third, fou th and fifth years of high school with relation to painting from nature, drafting, design for interior decorating or machinery, object drawing, enlarging, etc.

The material for all this need not be of an expensive kind. There is too much money wasted in this way in many cities and towns. The best material is that which will in least degree handicap the child in his attempt to express his thoughts and constructing his designs. He must have something he can erase easily. Good sized sheets of plain white paper, and a number of boxes of charcoal and colored chalk in soft tints are all that are needed in the lower grades.

The higher grades can do excellent work with material not necessarily expensive.

What is sorely needed here is an understanding that this is a necessary part of education so that both the teacher and the pupils shall be given a reasonable amount of time for the carrying out of the system.

Annie Chase,

Drawing Supervisor.

Report of the School Physician.

Superintendent of Schools:

My report as School Physician for 1913, as in previous years, has consisted of the vaccination of new scholars, examination of individual scholars at office and the various grades for pediculosis, whooping cough, diphtheria, etc.

Yours very truly,

JNO. G. CORCORAN, M. D.,

School Physician.

Attendance Officer's Report.

To the School Committee of Hamilton, Mass.:

I hereby submit my report as Attendance Officer for the year ending January 1, 1914.

During the past year I have made thirty calls. The school records for the past year show a much higher average attendance than in previous years. The two chief reasons for this may be that we have had no serious epidemic and also the new school laws of the state.

With but few exceptions I have had the support of the parents. This support has been of great assistance to me in the performance of my duty.

OSCAR A. WOOD,

Attendance Officer.

Teachers and Year of Appointment.

HIGH SCHOOL.

E. W. D. Merrill, (Harvard) Principal, 1913; Florence M. Holmes, (Plymouth Business), 1912; M. Gladys Ferguson, (Bates), 1912; Marion L. Russell, (Boston University), 1913.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Margaret P. Buell, (Hyde Park High) Principal, 1907; Susan E. Knapp, (Newburyport Training), 1911; Ellen E. Bennett, (Fitchburg Normal), 1913; Mildred F. Wildes, (Salem Normal), 1913; Edith L. Fletcher, (Salem Normal), 1906; Annie Chase, (Beverly High), 1912; Julia E. McLaren, (Nashua High), 1913.

WEST SCHOOL.

Rachel H. Steele, (Bridgewater), 1913.

CENTER SCHOOL.

Nelly G. Cutting, (Vermont Academy), 1899.

NORTH SCHOOL.

Grace C. Stone, (Ipswich High), 1885.

EAST SCHOOL.

Julia E. Connolly, (Framingham), 1913.

SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

Annie Chase, (Beverly High), 1912.

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Henry L. Stone, (Harvard), 1909.

School Census, 1913.

5	to	15	years	of age—Boys,	19	90
5	to	15	years	of age—Girls,	1	75
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7	to	14	years	of age—Boys,	1	27
7	to	14	years	of age—Girls,	1	19
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ATTENDANCE DATA

	SEPTEMB	SEPTEMBER, 1912, TO JUNE, 1913	1913	
Sсноог	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	PER CENT. ATTENDANCE
Center	26	22.4	21,4	95.5
West	16.5	16.29	15.4	95
North	29.7	29.4	27.73	94.3
East	32	26.3	23.9	89.78
South Grade I	32	32	28	94.4
South Grade II and III	34.5	34.15	32.58	95.41
South Grade III and IV	45.2	44.92	42,52	95
South Grade V and VI	45.9	44.8	42.4	94.6
South Grade VII	32.1	31.35	29.88	95.2
South Grade VIII	32.2	31.76	30.27	95.3
High	54.6	53.8	46.2	85.5

Roll of Honor.

Figures indicate number of terms of perfect attendance.

	CENTER SCHO	OL.			
Irving Thrasher, Elizabeth Nutter, Henry Pjaff, Raymond Daniels, May Daniels, Agnes Foss,	3 2 2 2 1 1	Annie Armstrong, Evelyn Daniels, Norma Nutter, Bertie Poole George Pjaff Carroll Daley,	2 2 2 2 1 1		
WEST SCHOOL.					
Anna Drew,	3 Reginer Drew,	Augustine Drew,	3		
	SOUTH SCHOOL	OL.			
	Grades II and	III			
John Rennedy, Ruth Conant, Benjamin Letarte, Pauline Sculley, Henry Dullinger, Alice Kloski, Andrew Nelson, Thelma Bull, Minnie Gould,	2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	Mae Hatt, Earle Gobeille, Frank Malone, Vera Addison, Lawrence Foster, Bella Kloski, Odelon Trembly, Mary Burns, Harry Holmes,	2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
	SOUTH SCHO	OL.			
Grades III and IV.					
Franklin Holland, Beatrice Bonin, Evelyn Conrad, Helen Cross,	3 2 2 1	Louise Day, Eleanor Scully, Carl Back, Samuel Malone,	3 2 1 1		

Edward Trembly, Mary McVey Charles Williams, Benjamin Dodge,	1 1 1	Marian Fitzgerald, Wesley Towle, Joseph Cooper, Dorothy Smerrage,	1 1 1 1		
	SOUTH SCHO	OOL.			
	Grades V an	d VI.			
Mary Kennedy, Arthur Morrow, Robert Dukette, Henry Gobielle, James McGinley, Edward Pepin, Lillian Cross,	3 3 2 1 1 1	Alexina Morrow, Edward Dixon, Harcourt Dodge, Amy James, Albert Pepin, Charles Peterson, Richard McGinley,	3 2 2 1 1 1		
	SOUTH SCHO	OOL.			
	Grade VI	I.			
Teddy Holland, Marim Randlett, Olive Harraden, Elsie Abbott, Gladys Mann, Marie Kinsella,	3 3 2 2 1 1	Ernest Day, Willie Dixon, Willie Poole, James Wallace, Melissa Elder, Gladys Smerrage,	3 2 2 1 1 1		
SOUTH SCHOOL.					
Grade VIII.					
Willie Williams, James Saulnier, Martha Barrows, David Haskell, Gertrude Ball, Rodolph Smerrage, Mary Gammell,	2 2 1 1 1 1 1	Walter Ramsdell, Daisy Back, Sidney Dufton, Mildred Sculley, Lester Stone, Edith Fitz, Scott Libby,	2 1 1 1 1 1 1		



